

PUBLIC NOTICE

PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER: NRS 07.296

APPLICANT: Tennessee Department of Transportation
Environmental Planning and Permits Division
Suite 900, James K. Polk Building
505 Deaderick Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0338
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LOCATION: The proposed alterations are located near the intersection of SR-2 and SR-27 in Marion County, Tennessee. (35.0380°N, -85.5800°W)

WATERSHED DESCRIPTION: The aquatic resource proposed to be altered is within the Tennessee River watershed (HUC 06020001). The resource is an unnamed tributary to the Tennessee River (S-2). The unnamed tributary at this location is intermittent and has a channel bottom width of 2-5 feet, top of bank width of 3-6 feet, and bank height of 6-12 inches. The tributary has been observed but has not been assessed.

One other unnamed tributary to the Tennessee River is located in the vicinity of the project area, but the applicant is not proposing to alter this stream. This stream is located to the south of the intersection of SR-2 and SR-27 and flows under SR-2.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes to realign the intersection of SR-2 and SR-27 by moving SR-27 approximately 150 feet to the west, and by doing so, extend an existing 195.36 foot, 36-inch reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) by approximately 176 feet, encapsulating an unnamed tributary to the Tennessee River. The realignment and culvert extension activities are proposed due to safety concerns and structural deficiencies at this intersection.

The applicant has proposed to provide compensatory mitigation by payment to the Tennessee Stream Mitigation Program (TSMP). A total payment of \$75,400 would be made to the TSMP.

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Chip Hannah

USGS TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLE: Sequatchie, TN (100 – SE)

No decision has been made whether to issue or deny this permit. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties of this permit application and to ask for comments and information necessary to determine possible impacts to water quality. Persons wishing to comment on the proposal are invited to submit written comments to the department. **Written comments must be received within THIRTY DAYS of the date that this notice is posted.** Comments will become part of the record and will be considered in the final decision. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

Interested persons may also request in writing that the department hold a public hearing on this application. The request must be filed within the comment period, indicate the interest of the person requesting it, the reasons that the hearing is warranted, and the water quality issues being raised. When there is sufficient public interest in water quality issues, the department will hold a public hearing.

The permit application, supporting documentation including detailed plans and maps, and related comments are available at the department's address for review and/or copying.

The department's address is:

Tennessee Department of Environment & Conservation
Division of Water Pollution Control, Natural Resources Section
7th Floor L & C Annex
401 Church Street
Nashville, TN 37243

In deciding whether to issue or deny a permit, the department will consider all comments on record and the requirements of applicable federal and state laws.



